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SUBJECT: PRIVATE CLAIMS AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT

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1. ACTING DIRECTOR MFA LEGAL DEPARTMENT RAFIG HASSAN TODAY GAVE POLCOUNS MFA NOTE DATED AUGUST 10 AGREEING TO ASSERTION OF TWO OMISSIONS IN PRIVATE AGREEMENT (ORIGINAL WILL BE POUCHED 1/C). OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH FOLLOWS (UNOFFICIAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION): "MFA PRESENTS COMPLIMENTS TO U.S. EMBASSY AND WITH REFERENCE TO EMBASSY NOTE NUMBER 86 OF JULY 27, 1976 REGARDING THE UNINTENTIONAL OMISSION OF SOME WORDS FROM THE ENGLISH TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE CLAIMS OF U.S. CITIZENS AND ATTACHED EXCHANGE OF LETTERS SIGNED IN CAIRO MAY 1, 1976 HAS HONOR TO INFORM EMBASSY THAT TO EFFECT THE REQUIRED CORRECTIONS, IT IS NECESSARY THAT THE EMBASSY SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO MFA WITH THE ORIGINAL COPY OF SAID AGREEMENT IN ORDER TO EFFECT THE REQUIRED AM- ENDMENT IN THE PRESENCE OF THE EMBASSY REP AND REP OF LEGAL DEPARTMENT, IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE NECESSARY PROCEDURES FOR RATIFYING THE AGREEMENT."

2. IN RESPONSE POLCOUNS WENT TO MFA AUGUST 14 AND INSERTION MADE IN GOE ORIGINAL AND CERTIFIED COPIES. HASSAN SAID NO INITIALING WAS NECESSARY SINCE EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTED TWO GOVERNMENTS AGREEMENT. SINCE U.S. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ORIGINAL IN WASHINGTON, IT WAS AGREED THAT DEPARTMENT AND

EGYPTIAN EMBASSY REP COULD MEET TO ATTEST TO CORRECTION OF
U.S. ORIGINAL.

3. HASSAN SAID INSTRUCTIONS FOR CORRECTION OF ALL OTHER GOE
COPIES, INCLUDING THAT SENT TO PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY, HAS BEEN
ISSUED BY MFA ON AUGUST 5.

4. GUMHURRIYA REPORTED AUGUST 13 THAT PA ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
WOULD MEET AUGUST 16 TO STUDY INTER ALIA U.S. CLAIMS AGREEMENT
"UNDER WHICH GOE WILL PAY U.S. \$10 MILLION IN PACKAGE SETTLEMENT
IN SIX HALF YEARLY PAYMENTS BEGINNING JANUARY, 1977."

5. PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY MEETS IN PLENARY SESSION AUGUST 18
AND WE ARE HOPEFUL, ON BASIS ASSURANCES OF TWO KEY COMM-
ITTEE CHAIRMEN (REFTELS), THAT IT WILL BE APPROVED BEFORE
ASSEMBLY DISBANS.
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